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AGENCY CONTACT MEMORANDUM #2015-1101

To: Agency IT Leadership, Technical Contacts

From: James M. Fowler,

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Subject: Planning under way for COBOL code generating software upgrade

In order to offer the latest, supported version of z/OS COBOL code generating software for agency developers to create batch and online programs on the mainframe, the Commonwealth Office of Technology is planning an upgrade in coming months.

This update will require communication and coordination since all developers who utilize the software will need to transition simultaneously to the newest version of the product. Agencies should also test their programs after the update is complete to ensure there are no interruptions in service.

This project is expected to be completed by March 31, 2016.

Technical contacts are encouraged to share this memo with developers in their agency to increase project awareness. Should you find that developers who utilize this software within your agency have not been contacted by COT, please provide the names of those individuals to your agency's <u>Business Relationship</u> Manager so they can be included in the planning process and future communications.

